

**INDEPENDENT REPORT OF LIMITED ASSURANCE OVER THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT REPORTS ISSUED BY THE COMPANY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF LAW NO. 24/2017 AND REGULATION NO. 5/2018 ISSUED BY THE FINANCIAL SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY**

To the Board of Directors and Management of *Societatea Naționala de Transport Gaze Naturale TransGaz S.A.*

***The scope of the Independent Auditor's Report***

We have been appointed by Societatea Naționala de Transport Gaze Naturale TransGaz S.A. ("the Company" or "SNTGN Transgaz S.A.") to report based on the requirements of Law no. 24/2017 on issuers of financial instruments and market operations, as subsequently amended and supplemented (hereinafter referred to as "**Law 24/2017**") on the information included in the attached Current Report (dated February 3, 2022), (hereinafter referred to as "Current Report"), which was prepared by the Company in accordance with the requirements of article 108, par. 1 (former art.92 ^ 3 paragraph 1) of Law no. 24/2017 and with the provisions of the FSA Regulation no. 5/2018 of the Financial Supervisory Authority (hereinafter referred to as "ASF") to report to the Financial Supervisory Authority ("ASF") and the Bucharest Stock Exchange ("BVB") for the period January 1, 2021 -December 31, 2021, under the form of a limited assurance conclusion.

***The specific purpose***

Our Report is for the sole purpose of the first paragraph of this Report, and is prepared for the information of the Company, BVB, and ASF and will not be used for any other purpose. Our Report must not be considered appropriate for use by any party wishing to acquire rights with us, other than the Company, for any purpose or in any context.

Any party other than the Company who obtains access to or a copy of our Report and chooses to rely on our Report (or part of it) will do so at its own risk. Our commitment has been made in order to be able to report those issues that we need to report in an independent limited insurance report, and not for other purposes. This Report relates only to the elements specified in this Report and does not extend to the financial statements or other reports issued by the Company, considered individually or as a whole.

***Management's responsibility***

The Company's management is responsible for preparing the Current Report and concluding the reported transactions in accordance with the requirements of Law no. 24/2017 and of the ASF Regulation no. 5/2018, with subsequent amendments and completions. Also, the Company's management has the responsibility to design, implement and maintain internal controls that allow the preparation of current Reports, so that they are free from significant misstatement due to fraud or error. The Company's management is also responsible for ensuring that the supporting documents underlying the preparation of the Current Report, as well as the evidence provided to the auditor, are complete, correct and justified.

***Auditor's responsibility***

Our limited assurance engagement was conducted in accordance with International Standards on Insurance Engagements, namely ISAE 3000 (revised) "*International Standard on Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information*". These regulations require us to comply with the Code of Ethics and Standards on Independence, to plan and carry out the assurance mission, so as to obtain limited assurance on the Current Report.

We apply the International Quality Control Standard 1 (ISQC 1) and maintain a solid quality control system, including policies and procedures that document compliance with relevant ethical and professional standards and requirements in legislation or regulations.



We respect the independence requirements and other ethical requirements of IESBA's Accounting Ethics Code of Ethics ("IESBA Code"), which sets out the fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality, and professional conduct.

The selected procedures depend on the auditor's professional judgment, our understanding of the reported transactions included in the Current Report and other circumstances of the engagement, and our considerations regarding areas where material misstatement may occur. In obtaining an understanding of the reported transaction included in the Current Report, we took into account the process used by the Company to conclude transactions and to prepare and present the Current Report, in accordance with the requirements of Law 24/2017 and ASF Regulation no. 5/2018 to establish the relevant assurance procedures in the given circumstances, but not to express a conclusion on the effectiveness of the process or internal control of the Company for concluding the reported transaction, included in the Current Report and for preparing and presenting the attached Current Report.

The procedures include, in particular, interviews with the staff responsible for financial reporting and risk management, as well as additional procedures, which aim to obtain evidence on the information included in the Current Report.

The procedures for obtaining evidence under a limited insurance commitment differ in nature and placement over time, and are more limited in scope than in a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is considerably lower than that which would have been obtained if a reasonable assurance engagement had been made.

Regarding the Current Reports, we performed the following procedures:

- 1) We have obtained the attached Current Report from the Company, related to the verified period and the details of the transactions included in this Report.
- 2) We have verified that the persons approving this Current Report are the authorized representatives of the Company, and we have requested the list of authorized signatures.
- 3) For the analyzed transactions selected based on sampling presented in the Current Report, we determined whether their details correspond in all significant aspects with the information included in the signed contracts / contractual documentation made available to us and if they were signed by Company representatives, in accordance with the list of authorized signatures provided to us. Where appropriate, we compared whether the details included in the Current Report correspond to the documentation related to the respective contracts: the parties who signed the supporting documents; the date on which the documentation was signed and its nature; description of the type of services indicated in the documentation; the total realized or estimated value of the contracts and, where applicable, the guarantees provided and the penalties stipulated, the terms and method of payment, as well as the related contractual conditions.
- 4) For the analyzed transactions selected on the basis of sampling, we compared whether the details presented in the attached Current Report correspond to the information we obtained from interviews with the Company's management and other documents attached to the contracts, as appropriate.
- 5) For the transactions selected based on sampling, insofar as there is a market price for the services provided between the Company and its affiliates, we have discussed with the Company's management how these prices were set and whether, on a case-by-case basis, the agreed prices correspond to those used in the contractual relations with other parties (third parties), for similar services or goods and respectively if the related contracts are approved by the Board of Directors or supervision of the Company.

If there are no market prices available, we have analyzed whether those transactions are performed based on the Company's internal pricing procedures and whether the related contracts are approved by the Company's Board of Directors or Supervisory Board, respectively, in accordance with its internal procedures.

Our procedures were performed exclusively on the transactions included in the attached Current Report, which covers the period January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021. Accordingly, we did not perform



any procedure to verify whether the Current Report includes all transactions that the Company must report under Article 108 (former art.92 ^ 3) of Law no. 24/2017 for this period.

### **Conclusion**

Our conclusion is based on and taking into account the issues presented in this independent limited liability report.

Based on the procedures described above and the evidence obtained, we did not become aware of any aspect that would lead us to consider that:

- a) The information included in the attached Current Report is not consistent in all material respects with the supporting documents made available to us by the Company;
- b) The information included in the attached Current Report does not comply in all significant aspects with the requirements of Law 24/2017 and FSA Regulation no. 5/2018, regarding the parties who signed the supporting documents; the date on which the documentation was signed and its nature; description of the type of goods / services indicated in the documentation; the total amount realized or estimated of the contracts and, where applicable, the guarantees provided and the penalties stipulated, the terms and method of payment; as well as the related contractual conditions.
- c) The contracts related to the reported and analyzed transactions were not duly authorized by the Company's representatives and were not approved by the Company's Board of Directors or Supervisors.
- d) The prices agreed between the parties were not accepted by mutual agreement on the basis of the type of products / services and other terms and conditions stipulated, as the case may be, in the agreements between the parties and were not determined according to the criteria referred to in paragraph 5) from the list of procedures above.

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On behalf of, BDO AUDIT

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